

And So They Were Married

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START THIS STORY TODAY

OF COURSE at the end of a week things weren't nearly so bad as they had been that first day, which had been the worst experience Ruth had ever lived through.

On the second day she had gone to the office with a little more self-assurance. Mr. Browning had said good morning to her and she felt as though she had been asked to be associate editor and was almost funny how grateful she was for the smallest grain of proffered kindness.

That first week Scott and Ruth had gone nowhere, chiefly because Ruth did her housework at night, and after she was finished was too tired to do anything but crawl into bed. The Friday night of her first week, while she was the rage with a carpet sweeper, the bell rang. Ruth looked at Scott in alarm and involuntarily glanced at herself in the mirror that hung on one of the walls. She looked flushed and hot, and the big bungalow apron in which she had enveloped herself was soiled. Her hair hung in untidy waves. She was certainly not in the mood to see people.

"Let's not answer the bell," she almost whispered. Scott was scowl and wanted naturally to see who it was, and he protested.

A wave of anger swept up over Ruth. Scott was willing to have her go to the office every day and work for a salary, but he was not willing to co-operate with her as far as the housework was concerned. Ruth was so angry that she was anything but reasonable. She had forgotten the fact that had been against Scott's advice and wishes that she had taken the position in the first place. There was no time to argue, however, and Ruth vanished into the bedroom, leaving the living room in disorder just as Scott opened the door.

Ruth leaned against the bedroom door to hear who it was. People were always dropping in when they weren't wanted. She wished they would leave her alone. Then as a girl's high-pitched voice called in to her she realized that all of the people here were the two she wished least to see—Natalie Jergens and Jack Bond. It was the first time since her marriage that Jack had ever been to see them.

Ruth's heart beat fast. If only

The Woman's Exchange

To Thank Thoughtful Reader

To ardent admirer of Ledger and all it stands for. Thank you very much indeed for remembering the widow and her two little girls. The gift was passed on to her and I wish you had given your name so she might have known where it came from. I wish that we might do as you suggest but we have found it impracticable to take this responsibility. Your thought was a noble one, however.

Write to Chamber of Commerce

To the Editor of Woman's Page: Dear Madam—Will greatly appreciate the following information: What are the names of Downingtown and West Chester daily newspapers? E. H. K. Downingtown has a weekly newspaper called the Archivist. West Chester has a daily paper, the Local News, and a weekly Record. For your other questions, if you will write to the Downingtown Chamber of Commerce I am sure they will be glad to give you all the information.

Best Bait for Fish

To the Editor of Woman's Page: I am a constant reader of the Evening Ledger and ask you for some information:

What would be the best food for bait to catch fish?

Please give some instructions on how to catch fish? READER.

You use different kinds of bait for various kinds of fish and different methods of catching various kinds of fish—and even different kinds of bait for different seasons of the year. At the Public Library, Thirteenth and Locust streets, you can find books which will tell you all about just what bait to use for which fish, and how to catch them. It would require a great deal more space than I could spare to tell you about it here.

Crocheted Sweaters Are Popular

To the Editor of Woman's Page: Dear Madam—Would you kindly tell me if silk sweaters will be in style this spring and summer?

If they are, what color do you think would be becoming to me? I am fifteen years old and have dark brown hair and brown eyes. Fairly dark skin and not very much color.

YOUNG GIRL. The most popular sweater so far this year is the silk or wool crocheted instead of knitted, but so many people had the knitted ones last year. I am sure they will be worn a great deal this summer. From your description of your coloring, I should say that brown, tan, old blue, soft green, and possibly old rose would all be becoming to you. But, of course, you have to judge for yourself just which one you can wear best. There must be some color in which you "specialize," and you are the only one who can tell just what that color shall be.

The Question Corner

- Today's Inquiries
1. What is a "gilet"?
2. How is starch used as trimming on the skirts of the new evening frocks?
3. When is the best time to "manicure" a baby's nails?
4. When a framed picture is to be matted a great distance what will protect the picture and reduce the cost of postage?
5. How can small pieces of soap be easily molded into a larger one that can wear best. There must be some color in which you "specialize," and you are the only one who can tell just what that color shall be.

Saturday's Answers

- 1. The shield watch is something new in a little wrist watch. The face of the watch is in a metal set in rhinestones and platinum.
2. The normal range in weight for a woman 5 feet 6 inches in height is from 147 to 157 pounds.
3. If the cork in a glass bottle is well greased with vasoline when the bottle is first opened it will not stick to the bottle afterward.
4. If mending is done on the face downward in a larger pan the open to steam they will be clean in a jiffy.
5. To lighten cane seats in chairs wash them in hot water and soap, then rinse in clear water and put out in the air to dry.
6. An attractive little bonnet dahl can be made by crocheting dahl over a finger bowl.

Natalie had had the grace to call up first she might have prepared a little. She knew just how Natalie was looking at the disordered living room, and now, if she, Ruth, stopped to dream they would think she had stopped to primp because of Jack. In her dreams Ruth had often dreamed of receiving Jack in her own home. There is something exciting in having the man you have refused to marry come to see you after you have lived a while with the other man. The door was opened and Scott stepped in. Ruth stood in the middle of the floor the picture of despair. "Well," she exclaimed, "what about it?" "Get into something, can't you?" "But it will take me so long and Natalie will think I'm primping for Jack. She just came here to show him off. What did you tell them?" All in the same breath. "I said you had a headache and were being down," Scott returned. "And don't worry about the living room. It looks all right. I picked up a few things." "I know your 'all right,'" Ruth groaned, "but it can't be helped now. I'll be out as soon as I can." And she began to get out of the apron and to buff up her hair. As she vigorously scrubbed her face and then rushed back into the bedroom to put on powder, she realized for the first time how tired she was, and how little she felt like exerting herself to entertain. It frightened her a little. Her vivacity had been one of her chief charms. It had stood her in good cause when prettier girls had been present at an affair of any kind. Jack had always spoken of it, and Scott had loved it in her. And now, if she were to feel tired like this every night and if life held nothing in store for her but work all day in an office and work all night at housework, what did it all amount to, after all? She reflected on the last week, and every evening had been the same. Once they had gone around to the little Italian place to eat, but she had not enjoyed it because she was thinking constantly of all she had to do before bedtime, and even the red wine had failed to stir her out of her lethargy. It was in this mood that she went in to meet Jack and Natalie. (In the next installment Scott makes rather an amazing discovery.)



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Hats of a New Type Are of Taffeta

To wear with street suits there are hats of navy blue, French blue and dark combinations and for Summer frocks there are hats of the most delectable pastel shades. Picture a broad-brimmed hat of soft apricot silk faced with Nile green and wreathed with forget-me-nots and primroses or a hat of sky blue faced with flesh-pink Georgette. They make one think of weddings and pretty bridesmaids. Prices on these delightful new hats start at \$9.50. (Market)



Here They Are! Men's Blue Serge Suits With An Extra Pair of Trousers

Men have been waiting for them and here they are in time for Easter! The serge is of pure wool, of a weight that will give service. The blue is fast color and of a fine, deep shade. There are waistline coats for young men and 2 and 3 button coats for business men of more conservative tastes. All of the coats are half lined with mohair and the seams are carefully bound and finished. In all regular sizes 34 to 44. Every man knows that an extra pair of trousers will almost double the life of a suit. \$32.50. (Galleries, Market)

Men's Easter Ties at 50c

In many good designs and colorings, made of silk mixtures. They are large open-end four-in-hand shapes or bat wings. (Galleries, Market)

New Sports Silks

And exceedingly smart they are, with their taupe and tan grounds and bright blue stripes, or Belgian blue with brown stripes and black with white stripes. They are \$2 yard and 36 inches wide. They will make up splendidly into pleated skirts. Silk-and-Cotton Crepe de Chine There are dark-colored grounds with many different colored figures and some lighter colors also. 55c a yard, 36 inches wide. (Central)

In Passing

A bride-to-be (or any woman who loves dainty underthings) will delight in the lovely things to be seen in the Undermulin Store. Exquisite Georgette or crepe de chine "nighties," envelope chemises, bouidour caps, matinees, mules—more pretty things than one could imagine. Prices start at \$1. (Central)

Tailored Waists \$1.85—Half Price

Well-tailored waists of fine white madras, pique and handkerchief linen are made with detachable collars and soft cuffs. Many have the yoke line across the back, which always makes a waist fit so well. Also a few smocks of linen touched with color and of voile, yard sizes. (Central)

Play Clothes for Active Little People

The creepers are in pink or blue chambray with smocking at the waist and little belts, in 2 and 3 year sizes. Rompers are of tan and white or blue and white striped cotton material of sturdy texture with plain-color collar and pocket. These are all 85c. For 75c there are blue and white and pink and white striped crepe rompers. These are 3 to 6 \$1.85. (Market)

Gingham House Dresses Special at \$2

They are of good quality checked or striped blue and white gingham with plain color collar and cuffs, well made and neatly finished. There also is a new lot of the popular blue chambray Billie Burke house dresses with white collar and cuffs at \$2. (Central)

Over Seventy Different Kinds of Spring Wraps at \$25 to \$35

Surely your Easter wrap is among this varied gathering of capes, dolmans, coats or cape coats. They are of serges, silvertones, suede velours, gabardines and tricotines, half lined or lined throughout with pretty silks. Most of the capes are made with jacket or surplice fronts and a great many are trimmed with braid. Black and navy, as well as all the good Spring colors are here for your choosing. The velour dolman sketched, in taupe, tan and Pekin blue, is half lined with silk. \$25. Blue Serge Capes In No End of Styles at \$13.50 to \$18.75 Both long and short capes, with braid or without. Some have top collars of light-colored silk and some are lined with silk. All are cut with a generous sweep and the lines are good. For April Showers plenty of good tweed coats and rubberized raincoats and capes. Tweeds are \$15 to \$19.75; raincoats and capes, \$6 to \$29.75. (Market)

Easter Suits are a Delight

There are many materials, though poplin and serge take the lead. Vests are much seen and contribute to the styles considerably. Suits at \$16.50 are of poplin or serge with vested or embroidered coats. Navy or the light shades may be chosen from. \$20 brings wool poplin suits that are very special. One model is sketched on the right. \$25 is a popular price and there are any number of styles to choose from around that figure. Novel mannish serge suits, wool poplin and gabardine, many with braid trimming, wool jersey and two-tone check velours for sports wear. One style is sketched. \$35 for a mannish serge suit in cutaway style that is attractively trimmed with rows of bone buttons. Or for braid-trimmed blouse suits with charmeuse or tricolette vests. Beautiful suits of silvertone or tricotine, many handsomely trimmed, are \$37.50 to \$85. (Market)

Celluloid Bag Rings Special at 25c Pair

These are half price, and coming just at the beginning of the Summer drive on fancy work, they are very timely. 8 inches in diameter and they are in red, green and lavender. (Art Needlework Store, Central)

Silk Petticoats in Easter Colors—\$3.85

Lovely messaline petticoats have pretty flounces with accordion-pleated ruffles and are in navy, black and white and many changeable effects. Exceedingly attractive and lovely are those with silk jersey tops and taffeta flounces, which are accordion pleated and set on in points with a narrow heading of taffeta. The colors are green, navy, taupe, Belgian blue, black. At the same price also are some entirely of silk jersey in light colors for evening wear. \$8.75. Sateen Petticoats, \$1.50 These are practical petticoats with pleated flounces and little dust ruffles, and are in green, blue and taupe plaids. (Central)

Dainty White Frocks for Girls to Wear on Easter Sunday

The pretty one sketched is of white dotted swiss trimmed with lavender, pink or blue. \$7.50. For girls of 8 to 14. Lacy white frocks in many styles, trimmed with pretty laces and ribbons and very youthful looking, are \$7.50 to \$10.75. One especially pretty model has a coat bodice and is trimmed with much lace and embroidered organdie. A white satin sash and a little rosebud finish it. A New Poplin Suit in navy blue has a top collar of tan poplin. The pockets are unusual and rows of buttons are used for trimming. Soft blue satin lines it. 15 to 17 year sizes at \$25. For the Little Maid Plenty of Fashionable Capes of 6 years there are some pretty silk frocks, from \$7.50 to \$15.50. These are of taffeta in gray shades or dark blue and are often embroidered or smocked with heavy silk of a contrasting color. Sheer white collars top them. (Central)

